

Please reconsider loosening up the FCC regulations in regards to how many media outlets a company can own. You will put another nail in the coffin of the independent media in America. As a publisher and owner of a locally-owned newspaper, I daily know the struggle of the independent media. We're fighting to provide local news and entertainment competing against national corporations that are aggressively pursuing our advertisers and trying to buy us out. Currently six corporations own 80% of the media in the US, just a few years ago it was ten corporations. Back in the '50s and '60s locally-owned media was completely the norm, this is no longer the case. Loosening the restrictions on those six corporations will reduce their competition, destroy most locally-owned media, and encourage further consolidation. You're pushing us to a day when there will no longer be a real local newspapers, local TV stations, or local radio. That will be a sad day for America. Thanks for listening, Dan

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